AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Kindly insert the following new paragraph and tables after the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 17 and ending at page 17, line 22.

The RNase P sequences described in these references and excluded by the present invention are shown in Tables 1 and 2 along with their SEQ ID NOs or GenBank numbers.

Table 1. Bacterial RNase P Sequences with SEQ ID NOs

SEQ ID NO	Organism Name	RNase P polypeptide sequence
SEQ ID NO:	Salmonella typhi	VVKLAFPRELRLLTPAHFTFVFQQPQRAGT
92	(CT18)	PQITXLGRLNSLGHPRIGLTVAKKNVRRAH
		ERXRIKRLTRESFRLRQHELPAMDFVVVAK
		KGVADLDNRALSEALEKLWRRHCRLARG
SEQ ID NO:	Yersinia pestis	VVKLAFPRELRLLTPSHFTFVFQQPQRAGT
93	(Orientalis)	PQITILGRLNELGHPRIGLTVAKKHVKRAH
		ERNRIKRLTRESFRLHQHALPSMDFVVLVK
		KGVADLDNRALTEALEKLWRRHCRQAPAS
SEQ ID NO:	Mycobacterium	VLRARNRMRRSADFETTVKHGMRTVRSDM
94	bovis	VVYWWRGSGGGPRVGLIIAKSVGSAVERHR
	(AF2122/97)	VARRLRHVAGSIVKELHPSDHVVIRALPSSRH
		VSSARLEQQLRCGLRRAVELAGSD
SEQ ID NO:	H. influenza	MLKVVKVYLHNHNSQFLVVKLNFSRELRLL
95		TPIQFKNVFEQPFRASTPEITILARKNNLEHPR
		LGLTVAKKHLKRAHERNRIKRLVRESFRLSQ
		HRLPAYDFVFVAKNGIGKLDNNTFAQILEKL
		WQRHIRLAQKS
SEQ ID NO:	M. tuberculosis-2	MIATPGLFAVLRARNRMRRSADFETTVKHG
96		MRTVRSDMVVYWWRGSGGGPRVGLIIAKS
		VGSAVERHRVARRLRHVAGSIVKELHPSDH
•		VVIRALPSSRHVSSARLEQQLRCGLRRAVEL
		AGSDR
SEQ ID NO:	Staphylococcus	MLLEKVYRIKKNADFGRIYKKGHSVANRQF
97	aureus	VVYTCNNKEIDHFRLGISVSKKLGNAVLRNK
		IKRAIRENFKVHKSHILAKDIIVIARQPAKDMT
		TLQIQNSLEHVLKIAKVFNKKIK
SEQ ID NO:	Staphylococcus	LKKNFRVKREKDFKAIFKEGTSFANRKFVVY
98	pneumonia	QLENQKNHFRVGLSVSKKLGNAVTRNQIKRR
		IRHIIQAKGSLVEDVDFVVIARKGVETLGYAE
		MEKNLLHVLKLSKIYRE

Table 2. Bacterial RNase P sequences with GenBank Nos.

GenBank No.	Organism Name
U10529	Coxiella burnetii (None Mile)
AJ235272	Rickettsia prowazekii (Madrid E)
AL162753	Neisseria meningitidis (Z2491)
AE002540	Neisseria meningitidis (MC58)
M80817	Buchnera aphidocola (unspecified)
AF008210	Buchnera aphidocola (SGS)
AP000398	Buchnera sp. (APS)
U32848	Haemophilus influenza (RD KW20)
M11056	Escherichia coli (unspecified)
AE000394	Escherichia coli (K-12)
M58352	Proteus mirabilis (unspecified)
AE004968	Pseudomonas aeruginosa (PAO1)
P25752	Pseudomonas putida (unspecified)
AE004083	Xyelella fastidiosa (unspecified)
AL139076	Campylobacter jejuni (NCTC 11168)
AE000645	Helicobacter pylori (26695)
AE001557	Helicobacter pylori (J99)
U64884	Micrococcus luteus (S66)
AF222789	Mycobacterium avium (104)
L39923	Mycobacterium leprae (Lortist 6)
AL021426	*Mycobacterium tuberculosis (H37Rv)
X92504	, , ,
M83112	Streptomyces bikiniensis (Zorbonenis)
M82836	
AL049826	*Streptomyces coelicolor (A3(2))
AF031590	
AB013492	Bacillus halodurans (C-125)
AL009126	Bacillus subtilis (168) X62539
P14982	Mycoplasma capricolum (mcs5)
U39713	Mycoplasma genitalium (G-37)
U00089	Mycoplasma pneumoniae (M-129)
AF135268	Staphylococcus aureus (ISP3)
AE002158	Ureaplasma urealyticum (3/1)
AJ000513	Pseudanabaena sp. (PCC6903)
X81989	Synechocystis sp. (PCC6803)
Z12166	Borellia burgdorferi (212)

AE000783	Borellia burgdorferi (B31)
P50069	Treponema pallidum (Nichols)
AE001351	Chlamydia trachomatis (serovar D)
AE002160	Chlamydia muridarum (trachomatis MoPn)
AE001673	Chlamydophila pneumoniae (CWL 029)
AE002251	Chlamydophila pneumoniae (AR39)
AE002049	Deinococcus radiodurans (R1)
AAD36531	Thermotoga maritima (MSB8)

^{*}Note that for sequences with more than one GenBank number listed, the RNase P polypeptide sequence, or fragment thereof, is identical.

Kindly replace the Sequence Listing filed on August 4, 2003, with the amended Sequence Listing, submitted herewith.